

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract of the present application on page 18, line 2 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention provides ~~To provide~~ a component part for a fuel battery having a pair of separator plates and a gasket interposed between both the separator plates, wherein ~~and being structured such that~~ the separator plates (2, 3) are closely attached to each other when ~~at a time of assembling a cell~~, in which the gasket can be formed by every kinds of manufacturing methods and a gasket reaction force can be set to a desired magnitude, the separator plates are arranged in parallel to each other in a state of having a gap between contact surfaces thereof opposing to each other ~~in parallel to each other in a state of having a gap~~, a gasket is arranged in a gasket groove, which is provided in one or both of the separator plates, and adhered to each of ~~both~~ the separator plates, and the gasket is compressedly deformed within the gasket groove by closely attaching of both the separator plates to each other with the contact surfaces.